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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Economic Research
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: OER's Free World Industrial Research

I agree that we should set up a panel meeting on the future direction of OER's analysis. I wouldn't confine it to free world industrial issues, although that may well be the major force of the discussion. I have already asked five people to save the date:

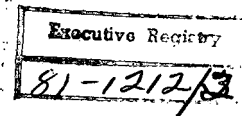
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Will you invite them? Then let us talk about the others on Tuesday.

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William J. Casey

The Director
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Washington, D.C. 20505



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Dear

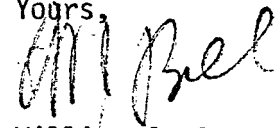
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On Friday, 12 June, I am asking a small group to spend the day at our Headquarters in Langley to be briefed on what the CIA's rather large economic research staff does, the capabilities it has, how its resources are allocated, etc.

Then, I would like you to think with us on what kinds of additional analysis we should undertake in order to better identify the economic and technological forces which can impact our national defense and international competitiveness. My purpose is to get your advice on how we can make our economic research more relevant to policymakers concerned with identifying vulnerabilities and opportunities, our own and our adversaries', and determining how these vulnerabilities can be protected against or exploited and these opportunities seized or denied, depending of course on whether they are ours or theirs.

Your office will get a call early next week to see if you can join in this exercise, which I very much hope you will be able to do.

Yours,


William J. Casey

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